



MISS BARBARA BEST

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Miss Barbara Best Joins Brides-Elect

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Barbara Best, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vergil Best, 23721 Walter St., to David Stilwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Stilwell, 1508 Espinosa Circle, Palos Verdes.

Miss Best was graduated from Torrance High School and Reno Beauty College in Long Beach. She is employed at Spaw's Beauty Salon in Torrance.

Her future husband also attended Torrance High and is now with Air Research in El Segundo.

No wedding date has been set.

Romantic Myth Blamed for Marriage Failures

The seven-year-old son of a U.S. diplomat was thrilled when his family, on a foreign assignment, moved next door to a real, prince.

However, disillusionment came when the boy met his new neighbor. The prince was old and bald—and divorced.

There was no golden-haired princess, no white charger, and the pair obviously had not lived happily ever after.

Suddenly, the books he had read, the romantic stories he heard, were all lies.

The boy's faith was no more ill-founded than the expectations of many of today's soon-to-be-wed young people.

The happy ending is American folklore. Boy meets girl. Boy gets girl. And who is to warn the starry-eyed youngster against the marriage pitfalls that lie before him?

Nelson N. Foote, General Electric sociologist, points out that we are a marriage-minded nation. Our marriage rate is high. We expect happiness in marriage.

Yet what happens, especially, to our most marriage-minded group? (Forty-seven per cent of all brides this year will be under 19). One-third of all teenage marriages, in which the girls are under 20, end in divorce.

Is there any formula for a happy marriage? Are you mature enough for marriage?

There's no pat answer—each couple is an individual case. And our society is constantly changing.

A recent booklet by marriage counselor David R. Mace suggests some conditions that are almost always present in successful marriages.

Reasonable expectations. Too many young people have a highly romantic idea of married life as a state of heavenly bliss that goes on effortlessly for ever.

A real-life flesh-and-blood relationship between two ordinary mortals just won't stand up to that sort of expectation.

If you think of marriage as a sort of magic wand that is going to solve all your personal problems, you are doomed to failure from the start.

A happy childhood. Generally speaking, a mate who is kind, considerate, dependable comes from a happy home.

Trust and confidence. Many young couples, spoiled by indulgent parents, are inclined to throw in the towel at the first differences that arise. Compatibility is a basic ingredient in the successful marriage.

Good sexual adjustment. Forget what you've read in books and seen in the movies. Good sexual adjustment, says Dr. Mace, is "the ability of two people to give and receive love and affection through all kinds of bodily expressions that are free from guilt, fear, and shame."

"It means outgoing warmth and freedom in the whole range of your feelings... the capacity to enjoy the intimacy of belonging to another completely and to be glad to meet the other's needs."

Married love is more than sex attraction. It includes the desire to cherish, help, and care for the one you love.

One New York social worker believes many teen marriages are not so much spurred by young people's sex-drives as to win independence from parents.

The desire for independence is natural and normal, but it does not in itself make for a happy marriage.

To deeply care for another person involves a sensitivity to the needs and desires of that individual.

Adaptability is essential, but more important is the willingness to change an attitude, if necessary—out of respect for the feelings of your marriage partner.

A regard for the other's privacy and individuality also is necessary in a successful marriage. Unity, more than union, is the real aim of marriage.

Do children bring increased happiness to a marriage? If a marriage bond is a strong one, children will further strengthen it. If it is weak and insecure, parenthood is likely to aggravate the difficulties.

Children represent a searching test of the soundness of a marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. LeFeuvre Entertain House Guest

Mr. and Mrs. Philip B. LeFeuvre, 5525 Michelle Dr. entertained Mr. Bob Crowe of Austin as their house guest last week.

Women

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ANTICIPATION—Dorothy Rhoads and William Brady buy tickets from Mmes. Carl A. Lascheck and William Touth in preparation for Labouré Parish festival slated Monday.

Spring Festival Scheduled Monday by Labouré Parish

A roast-beef dinner will be the highlight of St. Labouré Parish's May Festival Monday from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. on the school grounds, 3846 Redondo Beach Blvd.

The menu also will include baked potatoes with cheese sauce, tossed salad, vegetables, French bread, cake, and coffee or milk, according to Chef Edward Mach. Dinner will be served from 1 to 7.

Other features at the festival will be a ferris wheel, hot-

dog, and soft-drink stands, a fish pond, game booths, and booths of fancy work and dolls.

The booths will be under direction of members of Holy Name Society, the Ladies Council, Athletic Association, the parish boy scouts, and the Hawthorne and Gardena Knights of Columbus.

John B. Fitzpatrick and Joseph Mosbrucker are festival chairmen. Louis Corso and Mrs. Roy Stinchcomb are

ticket chairmen. Mmes. George Molinelli and Stanley Gallwas are in charge of the dinner.

Committee members are Dorothy Perkins and Mmes. Carl Lascheck, William Touth, John Kiesler, George J. Carr, Leo E. Pryor, and Peter H. Vellios.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the St. Catherine Labouré School's building fund.

St. Marks Guild Plans Card Party

A card party will be staged by St. Mark's Guild of St. Philomena Catholic Church Saturday at 8 p.m. in the school hall, 21900 S. Main St.

Mrs. Howard De Castro is chairman. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

The public is being invited to attend.

Junior's President Fetes Board Members at Lunch

Mrs. Kenneth Boulter, outgoing president of the Torrance Junior Woman's Club, entertained her board at a recent luncheon in her home.

Flower centerpieces were arranged in the silver bowls awarded to the club as trophies in Marina District competition.

Mrs. Boulter was given a charm bracelet by her board; each charm represented an event of the club year.

Attending were Mmes. Clifford Trezise, W. E. Starr, A. R. Felando, Charles Briner, Barton A. Tatum, Elgin E. Logsdon, Edward Aiken, Robert Davis, Allen Hofferber, Lee Allen, W. H. Gardner, and R. E. Shaw.

At a recent meeting, Mrs. Boulter and Mrs. Lee Clotworthy president-elect, were selected as delegates to the state convention of the California Federation of Women's Clubs today through Saturday at the Statler-Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles.

The conference agenda will include workshops, club reports, and election of officers. Highlights of the convention will be the Awards Banquet Thursday evening, the presentation of the Build-A-Better-Community Award at a banquet on Friday evening, and the Homemaker-of-the-Year, Citizen-of-the-Year, and Motion-Picture awards to be given at a luncheon Saturday.

Other members of the Juniors planning to attend are Mmes. Edward Aiken, C. L. Briner, Charles Crandall, Allen Hofferber, Leonard Schulwitz, John M. Stokley, Barton A. Tatum, Richard Dorothy, Edward Plehal, Robert Valencia, John Schwartz, Don Carlson, Charles W. Bennett, and Joseph Bpylan.

Mrs. Vango Celebrates Birthday at Marineland

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen P. Vango of Torrance were joined by Mr. and Mrs. John Hakanson of Rolling Hills in the "Porpoise Room" of the Marineland Restaurant to celebrate Mrs. Vango's birthday.



PLAN CLUB ACTIVITIES—Mmes. J. Ralph Black (left), Jack Bolt, Jack L. Dunn and Norman Jost, new officers of the Welcome Wagon Club, discuss activities for members. Press Photo

Hair Stylist to Speak at Welcome Wagon

Mrs. Jack Bolt, new president of the Torrance Welcome Wagon Club, will preside at her first meeting June 9 at the Elk's Club in Redondo Beach.

Guest speaker at the luncheon will be James Lazzaro, hair stylist for the Broadway Stores. Mr. Lazzaro will select a member of the club and demonstrate a summer hair cut.

The new president was installed at recent ceremonies in the Elk's Club. Taking office with her were Mmes. J. Ralph Black, Norman Jost, and Jack L. Dunn, vice presidents.

Also Mmes. Donald LeGalle, corresponding secretary; William Fitz Simmons, recording secretary; John Shillings, treasurer; and Herb

Farewell Fete for Mrs. Eckert

Mrs. Earl Eckert was guest of honor last Wednesday at a surprise farewell party given by her bridge club prior to her departure this summer for Port Hueneme where her husband will be associated with the Hueneme School system.

The event was held at the home of Mrs. Allen Hofferber in Rolling Hills. Mrs. C. A. Smith was co-hostess.

Attending were Mmes. Kenneth Boulter, Marvin Brain, James Crockett, J. L. Hull, and James Weir.

Miss Wilson Bride of Richard Bourne

Wayfarers Chapel was the setting for the evening wedding of Miss Patricia Lee Wilson and Richard Don Bourne Saturday. The Rev. Kenneth Knob officiated at the double-ring rite.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Wilson, 1903 W. 241st St., Lomita. Her husband's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Vincin Bourne, 1640 W. 220th St.

Miss Wilson was attired in an Alfred Angelo original featuring a scalloped neckline detailed in mother-of-pearl and sequins, and a sweeping skirt of lace panels over tulle.

A matching crown of tulle and lace studded with sequins secured her fingertip veil and she carried a bouquet of white spider chrysanthemums and orchids.

Miss Linda D. Wilson, gowning in orchid taffeta with matching parasol, was her sister's maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Polly Basile, Sue Chapman, Diane Sivard, and Lucille Helton.

All wore yellow taffeta and carried matching parasols. Shelley Bourne, dressed in orchid organza, was flower girl.

The mother of the bride was in pink lace over taffeta. The benedict's mother wore green chiffon over taffeta.

Clyde Wilson was best man. Ushers were Lyle Broughton, Chuck Helton, Arthur Tuck, and Rodney Williams.

Following the ceremony, guests were invited to a reception at the home of the bride's parents.

After a wedding trip to Santa Barbara the couple will live at 25610 Narbonne Ave., Lomita.

Mr. and Mrs. Bourne were graduated from Narbonne High School. He is employed by Apperson Business Forms in Los Angeles.

Walteria Club Welcomes Two New Members

The Walteria Business Women's Club welcomed two new members at a dinner meeting last Wednesday at the Wayfarers Inn.

Joining the organization were Lillian Bailey and Mary Parker.

At a brief business session the group heard reports by Mmes. Stan Watts, hospital chairman, and Robert Sleeth.

Mrs. Watts discussed the club's plans for its adopted ward at Harbor Hospital.

Mrs. Sleeth spoke on the recent Torrance Educational Advisory Committee meetings.

Members also made plans to sponsor two new girl scout troops in Walteria. Attending were Mmes. Wilmet Labit, Chris Sorensen, Loring Bigelow, Robert Waegner, Warren Cutting, Clark Cressey, Stan Watts, Jay Beasley, and John Barton.

Also Mmes. Anthony Mack, Jack Brown, Robert Sleeth, Fred Stevens, Roy Bayer, M. Frank Harris, Maze Moton, John Iwata, Glen Maxwell, Herb Jackson, and Mrs. Don Matthews.

Secretaries Install New Officer Panel

The South Bay Chapter of the National Secretaries Association recently installed new officers at a candlelight ceremony at the Tasman Sea Restaurant, San Pedro.

Newly installed officers are Mmes. W. Howard Smith, president; F. G. Charles, first vice president; Howard G. Wells, second vice president; and Edward E. Menager, recording secretary.

Also Miss Sandra Spaulding, corresponding secretary; and Mmes. M. E. Eastcott, treasurer; and William E. Brady, public-relations representative.

Mrs. Mark Murray, of the California membership committee, was installing officer. The new board will assume office in June.

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GARDEN OFFICERS—Mrs. Marion L. Hartley (seated), new president of the Torrance Terrace Garden Club, and Mrs. Minot Rugg, vice-president, discuss plans for the new club year.



MRS. RICHARD DON BOURNE Honeymooning in Santa Barbara

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